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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1654

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FOR: NOVEL CYCLOSPORIN GELENIC FORMS

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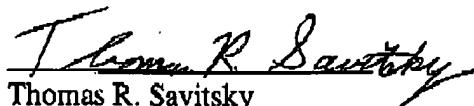
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Signed this 9th day of February, 2006 by the undersigned attorney of record.

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer in the above-identified application.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the fee under 37 CFR §1.20(d).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 04-1121 in the name of Dilworth and Barrese. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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